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to all the producers who participated in our recent surveys. The results you requested are in this issue.

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CATTLE PRICES UP FROM LAST YEAR

The **Index of Prices Received** by farmers and ranchers in **Wyoming** for agriculture commodities sold during September was 141 percent of the 1990-1992 base. The index was up 7 points (5 percent) from August and up 18 points (15 percent) from September 2009. The seasonal changes in the mix of commodities farmers sell also affect the overall indexes.

The **All Livestock Index** for September was 140, up 3 points (2 percent) from last month and up 21 points (18 percent) from September 2009. September prices for cows were up compared to last month while calves and steer and heifer prices were down. Compared to last year, all cattle prices were up. **Cow** prices averaged \$55.40 per hundredweight, up 30 cents from September and up \$12.30 from last year. **Steer and heifer** prices, at \$110.00 per hundredweight, were down \$3.00 from September but up \$15.00 from last year's price. **Calf** prices averaged \$124.00 per hundredweight, down \$4.00 from last month but up \$15.00 from last year. **Sheep** prices came in at \$51.60 per hundredweight for the month of September. **Lamb** prices averaged \$129.00 per hundredweight for the month of September.

The **All Crops Index**, at 144, was up 15 points (12 percent) from August but down 10 points (6 percent) from last September. October alfalfa hay prices held steady compared to last month while other hay prices fell slightly. All hay prices were down compared to last year. **Alfalfa hay**, unchanged from last month but down \$15.00 from last year, came in at \$90.00 per ton. **Other hay**, at \$80.00 per ton, was down \$4.00 from last month and down \$13.00 from last year.

UNITED STATES: The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in October, at 160 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 12 points (8.1 percent) from September. The Crop Index is up 17 points (11 percent) but the Livestock Index decreased 1 point (0.7 percent). Producers received higher prices for corn, soybeans, eggs, and milk and lower prices for hogs, broilers, cattle, and potatoes. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of soybeans, corn, grain sorghum, and cotton offset decreased marketings of wheat, milk, sweet corn, and grapes.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 26 points (19 percent) from October 2009. The Food Commodities Index, at 154, increased 7 points (4.8 percent) from last month and increased 21 points (16 percent) from October 2009.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS AND RANCHERS, OCTOBER 2009, SEPTEMBER 2010, AND OCTOBER 15, 2010 U.S. PRICES AS PERCENT OF PARITY								
COMMODITY	UNIT	WYOMING			UNITED STATES			
		OCT 2009	SEP 2010	OCT 15 2010	OCT 2009	SEP 2010	OCT 15 2010	% OF PARITY
		Dollars			Dollars			Percent
LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS								
Cows	100#	43.10	55.10	55.40	43.60	55.40	53.00	—
Steers & Heifers	100#	95.00	113.00	110.00	84.40	99.30	97.90	—
Calves	100#	109.00	128.00	124.00	103.00	117.00	118.00	33
Sheep	100#	29.50	51.60	3/	29.80	48.10	1/	—
Lambs	100#	98.00	129.00	3/	96.80	135.00	1/	—
CROPS								
Corn	Bu.	2/	2/	3/	3.61	4.08	4.78	52
Oats	Bu.	2/	2/	3/	2.03	2.29	2.35	39
Feed Barley	Bu.	2/	2/	2/	2.29	2.88	3.10	—
Winter Wheat	Bu.	2/	5.66	3/	4.27	5.80	5.98	—
Dry Beans	100#	2/	2/	3/	29.90	26.50	24.90	35
Alfalfa Hay (Baled)	Ton	105.00	90.00	90.00	109.00	117.00	118.00	—
Other Hay (Baled)	Ton	93.00	84.00	80.00	97.10	95.20	96.90	—
INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS & RANCHERS, WYOMING & U.S.								
1990-92 = 100		WYOMING 4/			UNITED STATES			
		OCT 2009	SEP 2010	OCT 15 2010	OCT 2009	SEP 2010	OCT 15 2010	
All Commodities		123	134	141	134	148	160	
All Crops		154	129	144	151	159	176	
All Livestock and Products		119	137	140	110	135	134	

1/Mid-month prices discontinued January 1996. 2/Insufficient sales. 3/Mid-month price discontinued July 2010. 4/Mid-month WY price index discontinued July 2010. NOTE: Entire month price is a revision of previous mid-month price except for hay which is always a mid-month price.

SUGARBEET PRODUCTION UP 25 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

Based on November 1 estimates, Wyoming sugarbeet production will be higher than last year, according to Nancy Hussey with the Wyoming Field Office of NASS.

Sugarbeet producers intend to harvest 30,300 acres, up 4,700 from last year. The average yield is expected to be 28.0 tons per acre, up 1.0 ton from the October 1 forecast and 1.5 tons more than the 2009 yield. Total production is expected to be 848,000 tons, 25 percent above 2009.

Barley production is expected to total 6,076 million bushels, down 3 percent from the Small Grains 2010 Summary released September 30, 2010, and down 10 percent from last year. **Oat** production is expected at 549,000 bushels, down 10 percent from last year, but unchanged from the Small Grains Summary. Oat yield expected at 61 bushels per acre is unchanged from last year.

The following forecasts are carried forward from October 1 forecasts. **Alfalfa** hay production is forecast at 1.61 million tons, down 7 percent from 2009 but up 5 percent from 2008. Harvested area is expected to total 670,000 acres with an average yield of 2.4 tons per acre. Acreage for harvest is down 20,000 acres from 2009, and the yield is down from 2.5 tons per acre last year. **Other hay** production is forecast at 896,000 tons, up 10 percent from 2009, and up 28 percent from 2008. Producers expect to harvest 560,000 acres of other hay with an average yield of 1.6 tons per acre. Acreage for harvest is down 20,000 acres from 2009, but yield is up from 1.4 tons in 2009. **All hay** production is forecast at 2.50 million tons, down from 2.54 million tons in 2009 but up from 2.24 million tons in 2008.

UNITED STATES: Corn production is forecast at 12.5 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the October forecast and down 4 percent from last year's record production of 13.1 billion bushels. As of November 1, yields are expected to average 154.3 bushels per acre, down 1.5 bushels from the previous month and 10.4 bushels below last year's record of 164.7 bushels. Forecasted yields decreased from last month throughout much of the Corn Belt, with the biggest decline forecasted in Missouri, down 7 bushels per acre. The expected yield in South Dakota declined 5 bushels from last month while the Nebraska yield dropped 4 bushels per acre. Record high yields are forecast in California, Georgia, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Production of **sugarbeets** for the 2010 crop year is forecast at 31.9 million tons, down 4 percent from the October 1 forecast but 8 percent above 2009. Producers expect to harvest 1.15 million acres, up 29,000 acres from October and up 4,900 acres from 2009. Yield is forecast at 27.7 tons per acre, a decrease of 1.9 tons from the previous forecast but 2.0 tons above last year. If realized, this will be a record high yield for the United States. Record high yields are also expected in Colorado, Minnesota, North Dakota, and Wyoming.

Sugarbeet producers in the four major producing States dug 62 percent of this year's crop during October. In Minnesota and North Dakota, ideal fieldwork conditions allowed harvest to advance ahead of both last year and the average pace throughout the month. By October 31, 92 percent of the Nation's sugarbeet crop had been harvested, the quickest pace since 2003.

ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION 2009; FINAL SMALL GRAINS AND NOVEMBER 1 HAY AND ROW CROP FORECASTS, 2010

Crop	Planted		Harvested		Yield per Harvested Acre		Production		
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010 1/	2009	2010	10/09
	1,000 Acres		1,000 Acres				1,000		Percent
WYOMING									
Oats (bu)	40	34	10	9	61.0	61.0	610	549	90
Winter Wheat (bu)	155	165	132	145	38.0	32.0	5,016	4,640	93
Barley (bu)	80	75	64	62	105.0	98.0	6,720	6,076	90
Sugarbeets (tons)	32.4	30.5	25.6	30.3	26.5	28.0	678	848	125
Dry Beans (cwt)	37.5	49.0	34.0	47.5	20.0	21.0	680	998	147
Alfalfa Hay (tons)	—	—	690	670	2.50	2.40	1,725	1,608	93
Other Hay (tons)	—	—	580	560	1.40	1.60	812	896	110
All Hay (tons)	—	—	1,270	1,230	2.00	2.04	2,537	2,504	99
UNITED STATES									
Corn-Grain (bu) 2/	86,482	88,222	79,590	81,263	164.7	154.3	13,110,062	12,539,646	96
Winter Wheat (bu)	43,346	37,335	34,510	31,746	44.2	46.8	1,524,608	1,485,236	97
Oats (bu)	3,404	3,138	1,379	1,263	67.5	64.3	93,081	81,190	87
Barley (bu)	3,567	2,872	3,113	2,465	73.0	73.1	227,323	180,268	79
Sugarbeets (tons)	1,185.8	1,186.5	1,148.6	1,153.5	25.7	27.7	29,563	31,934	108
Dry Beans (cwt)	1,537.5	1,900.0	1,463.0	1,829.3	17.3	17.8	25,360	32,615	129
Alfalfa Hay (tons)	—	—	21,227	20,732	3.35	3.44	71,030	71,326	100
Other Hay (tons)	—	—	38,528	38,924	1.98	2.08	76,412	80,952	106
All Hay (tons)	—	—	59,755	59,656	2.47	2.55	147,442	152,278	103

1/Yield for oats, winter wheat, all wheat and barley are final for 2010. All other yields are forecast yields as of October 1, 2010.

2/Corn planted for all purposes, harvested for grain.

U.S. CATTLE ON FEED UP 3 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.5 million head on November 1, 2010. The inventory was 3 percent above November 1, 2009.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.50 million, 1 percent above 2009. Net placements were 2.44 million head. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 725,000, 600-699 pounds were 640,000, 700-799 pounds were 514,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 625,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.73 million, 1 percent below 2009. This is the second lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of October since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 62,000 during October, 5 percent above 2009.

CATTLE ON FEED: 1000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS,

SELECTED STATES AND UNITED STATES, NOVEMBER, 2009-2010 1/

State	On Feed Oct 1, 2010	Place- ments Oct 2010	Market- ings Oct 2010	Other Disapp. Oct 2010	On Feed Nov 1, 2010	On Feed Nov 1, 2009
Thousand Head						
CO	1,000	270	170	10	1,090	1,040
KS	2,330	435	350	15	2,400	2,330
NE	2,220	580	370	10	2,420	2,400
TX	2,640	640	445	15	2,820	2,730
Oth Sts.	2,589	579	399	12	2,757	2,634
U.S.	10,779	2,504	1,734	62	11,487	11,134

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

WYOMING SEPTEMBER COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION DOWN FROM AUGUST

Commercial red meat production in *Wyoming* during September 2010 totaled 500,000 pounds. This was 109 percent of September 2009 but 300,000 pounds lower than last month's production. Commercial red meat production includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton but excludes animals slaughtered on farm.

Six hundred **cattle** were slaughtered in Wyoming during September, equal to the number slaughtered a year ago and two hundred more head than last month. Total live weight was 742,000 pounds, up 10 percent from the previous September. Average live weight of cattle slaughtered was 1,226 pounds, up 39 pounds from September 2009.

A total of 500 **commercial hogs** were processed, up 100 head compared to September of last year but 600 head less than last month. Total live weight, at 123,000 pounds, was up 3 percent from September 2009. Average live weight of hogs slaughtered was 259 pounds, down 10 pounds from the previous year.

Two hundred **sheep and lambs** were processed in September, up 100 head from the same time last year but down 100 head from last month. Total live weight came in at 26,000 pounds, up 5,000 pounds from a year ago. The average live weight, at 151 pounds, was down 5 pounds from the same month in 2009.

UNITED STATES: Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.16 billion pounds in September, down 2 percent from the 4.26 billion pounds produced in September 2009.

Beef production, at 2.25 billion pounds, was 1 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.90 million head, up 3 percent from September 2009. The average live weight was down 21 pounds from the previous year, at 1,289 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.88 billion pounds, down 6 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 9.34 million head, down 6 percent from September 2009. The average live weight was unchanged from the previous year, at 270 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 13.1 million pounds, was down 12 percent from September 2009. Sheep slaughter totaled 204,000 head, 9 percent below last year. The average live weight was 129 pounds, down 1 pound from September a year ago.

January to September 2010 commercial red meat production was 36.1 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 2009. Accumulated beef production was up slightly from last year, veal was down 1 percent, pork was down 4 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 4 percent.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER SEPTEMBER 2009 AND 2010, WYOMING and U.S.

SPECIES	WYOMING					UNITED STATES				
	Number of Head		Total Live Weight			Number of Head		Total Live Weight		
	Sept 2009	Sept 2010	Sept 2009	Sept 2010	10/09	Sept 2009	Sept 2010	Sept 2009	Sept 2010	10/09
			1,000 Pounds		Percent			1,000 Pounds		Percent
Cattle	600	600	674	742	110.1	2,814,700	2,898,200	3,676,850	3,723,564	101.3
Hogs	400	500	119	123	103.4	9,939,800	9,344,900	2,679,933	2,524,527	94.2
Sheep & Lambs	100	200	21	26	123.8	225,200	204,000	29,341	26,200	89.3

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